

# CAPE OF GOOD HOPE

TERROIR SPECIFIC WINES

Cape of Good Hope Riebeeksrivier Western Slopes 2013

**AVERAGE TEMP:** 16.98°C

**RAINFALL:** 995.17mm

**HARVESTING BEGAN:** 22/02/2013

**HARVESTING ENDED:** 05/03/2013

**ORIGIN OF FRUIT:** Riebeeksrivier (Swartland)

**SOIL TYPE:** Schale

**YIELD:** 7ton/ha

**IN THE VINEYARD:** This wine is made from grapes from our Riebeeksrivier farm in the Swartland. This farm is situated on the slopes of the Riebeek kasteel mountains on the Malmesbury side with our vineyards on Southern and Western slopes. This wine is from the Western slopes where there is more Schale in the soil. The combination of slope and soil, culminates into this feminine and layered wine with lots of vibrancy and red fruit style red blend.

**WINEMAKING:** This wine is a Blend which consists mostly out of Shiraz, and other varietals from this slope includes Grenache and Carrignan. These vineyards produce a small bunch with concentrated flavours and delicate, yet firm structure. These grapes are hand-sorted and fermented, they are barrel aged in 2nd and 3rd fill 225L barrels for 12 – 14 months. Then bottle aged for 3 years.

**TASTING NOTES:** Appealing aromas of spicy fruitcake, black cherry, blackcurrant and cedar. A nuanced, layered and silky textured palate which abounds with richly ripe black fruits - cherry, blackcurrant, cassis - tempered by harmonious oak which is superbly integrated, making for a harmonious whole. There are cigarbox and spice notes apparent too, along with an inky depth of flavour. Overall, it's a refined and elegant wine with silky tannins, a plush opulence and a long, lingering aftertaste.

